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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Markley, et al. § **EXAMINER:** Griffin, Walter

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in Response to the Final Office Action dated March 17, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

DO NOT ENTER. WG